

Remarks

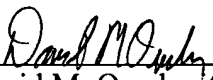
Claims 1, 7, 9, 12, 16 and 25-36 have been rejected as being based on a defective reissue declaration under 35 U.S.C. §251. A supplemental reissue declaration is enclosed herewith to address the rejection. As a result, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the above remarks and the submission of the supplemental reissue declaration, it is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that there are issues remaining which must be resolved before allowance of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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